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A copy of the listed document is submitted herewith.

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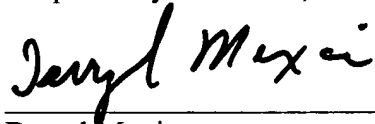
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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanation:

The submission of the attached English language abstract along with JPA No. 2000-227120 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of the reference.

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